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SRI V. K. PALANISWAMY GOUNDAR :—" By way of personal explanation, Sir. I wish to inform the House that I have not talked on this subject yesterday or the day before."

SRI K. R. NALLASIVAM :—" சமீபத்தில் சர்க்கார் ஒரு உத்திரவு போட்டிருக்கிறார்கள். அதன்படி கலப்புப் பயிர்களை தோட்டக்காலில்தான் பயிரிடவேண்டும் என்று உத்தரவு உள்ளது. அதோடு தோட்டக்கால் பிரதேசத்திலுள்ள 75 சதவிகிதமுள்ள நிலத்தில்தான் கடலை, எள்ளு போன்ற பயிர்களையும், பாசிப் பயிறு, மொச்சைப்பயிறு போன்ற பயிறு வகைகளையும் பயிரிடலாம் என்று உத்தரவுள்ளது. ஆனால், தோட்டக்கால் பிரதேசத்தில் ஈரக்கசிவு அதிகம் இருப்பதால் அப்பயிர்கள் அழிந்து விடுகின்றன. ஆகவே மேட்டுக்கால் பிரதேசங்களிலும் கலப்பு (பயிறு வகையறா) பயிர் விளைவிக்கலாமென்று உத்தரவைப் போட்டுவிடுவார்களா என்று கேட்கிறேன்."

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU :—" The Government came forward to meet certain difficulties that were pointed out. Any further difficulties arising will be gone into.

As regards the personal explanation of the hon. Member sitting behind me, I never thought, Sir, that in spite of his advanced age he will have such a short memory."

SRI P. G. KARUTHIRUMAN :—" May I know from the Hon. Minister what has happened to the question of supplying power for lifting water from the wells in the Lower Bhavani Project area? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU :—" I think, Sir, the Hon. Minister for Public Works can give an accurate answer to this question. I cannot say anything definite in the matter."

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" When there is a conflict between the statement made by the ex-Minister and a Minister, we wish to know which has to be believed by the House? " (Laughter.)

SRI V. K. PALANISWAMY GOUNDAR :—" There seems to be a confusion in the mind of the Hon. Minister because there are a number of Palanisamis in this House and I do not know which Palanisami he really means."

Tappers' co-operative societies

* 769 *Q.*—SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received any recommendation from the District Prohibition Advisory Council, Malabar, recently for the grant of some subsidy to the Tappers' co-operative societies ; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken thereon?

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THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" (*a*) No, Sir.
" (*b*) Does not arise."

SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR :—" At a recent meeting of the District Prohibition Advisory Council, Malabar, held at Kozhikode which I also attended, it was unanimously decided to recommend to the Government requesting them to give some subsidy in aid of co-operative societies started for the purpose of manufacturing jaggery in view of the facts that the price of jaggery has come down and that the administrative expenses of the societies have increased. May I know whether the Hon. Minister will be pleased to enquire into the statement I have made now at least and see that necessary financial help is given if the case is really genuine? "

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" The Government have received no representations from the society he mentioned. However, the Government have already agreed regarding the grant of subsidy to meet a portion of the administrative expenses of the jaggery societies. The Government have already in their order, dated 10th April 1952, agreed to assist societies which undertake marketing of the produce. This fact has been circulated by the Registrar of Co-operative Societies to the Deputy Registrars of Co-operative Societies to recommend to the Government subsidies in deserving cases of co-operative societies manufacturing jaggery. The Registrar will come up to the Government for sanction as and when proposals are received from them. The hon. Member is requested to send a resolution passed by the society and we will consider it."

SRI P. K. GOPALAKRISHNAN :—" The co-operative societies producing jaggery are facing severe competition from those people producing gur. The price of gur has come down very low. Therefore, these co-operative societies are not able to compete with those people manufacturing gur. These co-operative societies manufacturing jaggery are therefore on the verge of collapsing. The Government are prepared to subsidize only as regards the administrative expenses. In view of the fact that the price of gur has come down very low and that those societies manufacturing jaggery are not in a position to compete with those manufacturing gur, will the Government realize that mere grant of subsidy to cover a portion of administrative expenses will not do and that further subsidy should be given to these co-operative societies to ameliorate them? "

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" I do not think we can consider the suggestion made by the hon. Member at this stage."

SRI C. H. KANARAN :—" Sir, before Prohibition was introduced, there were 40,000 tappers in Malabar. Revival of jaggery 11-20 a.m.

industry can be done only with the help of the Government. Therefore, will the Government at least consider the position of Malabar where many tappers are unemployed and help revive this industry thereby giving subsidies? ''

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—'' Sir, as I have already stated, in deserving cases subsidy will be granted.''

SRI N. K. PALANISAMY :—'' மணு ஒன்றுக்கு பத்து ரூபாய் என்று விற்றது. பிறகு அது 2½ ரூபாய்க்கு வந்தது காரணம் அதிகப்படியாக வெளி நாட்டிற்கு எக்ஸ்போர்ட் செய்யாததால்தான். 5,000 டன்கள்தான் வெளி நாட்டிற்கு எக்ஸ்போர்ட் செய்யலாம் என்று சர்க்கார் உத்தரவு இருக்கிறது. 30 ஆயிரம் டன் ஆந்திர ராஜ்யத்திலிருந்து வெளி நாட்டிற்கு அனுப்பலாம் என்று ஆந்திர சர்க்கார் உத்தரவு போட்டிருக்கிறது. அதைப்போலவே இந்த சர்க்காரும் அதிகப்படி கருப்பட்டியை எக்ஸ்போர்ட் செய்வதற்கு என் முயற்சி எடுத்துக்கொள்ளவில்லை ?''

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—'' Sir, the question put by the hon. Member has no relevancy, to the main question.''

SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR :—'' Sir, the point referred to was not the representation made by the society, but that of the District Advisory Council, an official body. It is therefore easy for the Hon. Minister to get it from them than from me.''

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—'' All right, Sir. I will get it from them.''

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP :—'' Sir, will Government consider a more refined method of producing jaggery so that it may be more palatable and there may be a better market for the produce? ''

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—'' The Government will consider that.''

Glass factory at Mettupalayam.

* 770 *Q.*—SRI N. K. PALANISAMY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have granted any sum by way of loan or otherwise towards the glass factory at Mettupalayam; and

(*b*) if so, the amount granted so far?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—'' (*a*) No, Sir.

'' (*b*) The question does not arise.''

SRI N. K. PALANISAMY :—'' சிலிகா இன்டஸ்ட்ரி வெகுகாலமாக மேட்டுப்பாளையத்திலிருந்தது. அது முதல்தரமான இண்டஸ்ட்ரி. அப்படிப் பட்ட இண்டஸ்ட்ரி இப்பொழுது திறக்கப்படாமல் மூடப்பட்டிருக்கிறது. இண்டஸ்ட்ரீஸ்களுக்கு ஸ்டேட் எய்ட் கொடுத்து சர்க்கார் உதவுவதுபோல் இதற்கும் உதவவேண்டும் என்று கேட்டுக்கொண்டுவந்தும் அப்படிக் கொடுக்க மறுத்திருக்கிறது. காரணம் என்ன ? இதை சர்க்கார் என் எடுத்து நடத்தக்கூடாது. அப்படி எடுத்து நடத்த என் சர்க்கார் யோசனை செய்யக்கூடாது என்று கேட்கிறேன்.''